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Dear Sir:

APPLICANT'S SUBSTITUTE PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

With respect to the above-captioned patent application, the undersigned pro se Applicant respectfully files the present Amendment Paper in response to the Office's "Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment" dated July 06, 2005 (hereinafter, the "Notice").

In the 07/06/2005 Notice, Applicant's previous Preliminary Amendment under § 37 C.F.R. I.115 is deemed non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of § 37 C.F.R. 1.121. The present Amendment Paper is submitted to comply and to correct such deficiency in form identified by the Office and by Applicant after further consideration, and to make further amendment to the Claims, as follows:

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